

WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the: **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Held on: **THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2003**

Held in: **THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES,
BRADLEY ROAD, TROWBRIDGE**

Present:

Councillors: Newbury (Chairman), Baker, Brice, Burnan OBE, Carbin,
Clark, John Clegg, Marion Clegg, Cox, Cunliffe-Jones,
Fortescue, Hawker, James, Knight, Lewis, March, Oldrieve,
Repton, Rosier, Syme, Viles, Wells and Whatley-Gibbs

Also in attendance: Councillors Bryant, Manasseh and Squires

Officers: Principal Planning Officer (Commercial), Principal Planning
Officer (Residential), Senior Planning Officer (RMacG),
Development Control Manager, Principal Lawyer and Member
Support Officer (AB)

52 APOLOGIES AND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Osborn who was replaced by Councillor Oldrieve for this meeting only.

53 OPEN FORUM

Mr Braid made an open forum presentation at the beginning of the meeting in respect of the following planning application:

03/01460/FUL – Canac Pet Products, Becks Mill, Westbury Leigh, Westbury

For other open forum presentations please refer to minute number 57.

54 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 October 2003 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

55 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members present reported that they had received general lobbying on various applications to be considered at this meeting, in particular the following:

03/01714/FUL and 03/01715/LBC – Bellefield House, Hilperton Road, Trowbridge
03/01301/OUT – Bradford Football Rugby Club, Great Ashley, Winsley
03/01685/FUL – Land at Westbourne Gardens, Trowbridge

03/01144/FUL – Weston Nurseries, Corton, Warminster

Councillor Oldrieve declared his personal interest in the above application and stated that he would leave the room during consideration of this item.

03/01685/FUL – Land at Westbourne Gardens, Trowbridge

Councillor Rosier declared his personal interest in the above application as he was a resident of the area.

03/01505/FUL - 43 Orchard Way, North Bradley

Councillor Oldrieve declared his personal interest in the above application.

03/01301/OUT – Bradford Football Rugby Club, Great Ashley, Winsley

The Senior Planning Officer declared her interest in the above application and stated that she would leave the Chamber during its consideration.

56 ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman announced that the Development Control Team had reached all the required performance standards imposed by the ODPM for the month of October.

57 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Open forum speakers:

Application	Speaker(s)
03/01403/FUL – 34 Coulston, Wiltshire,	Ms Bolton Clark, Mr Midgley
03/01439/REM – Phase 5A Marina Drive, Staverton	Mrs Warne
03/01714/FUL – Bellefield House, Hilperton Road, Trowbridge	Mrs Milroy, Mr Cash, Mr Frampton Mr Partridge, Mr Court, Mrs Mantle Mr Szafran., Mr Orr
03/01301/OUT – Bradford Rugby Football Club, Great Ashley, Winsley	Mr Stanton, Mr Nicholson, Mr MacGregor., Mr Jennings, Mr Sweeting, Ms Parr, Ms Bear, Ms Morris Wiltshire, Ms Otter-Barry

03/01460/FUL – Canac Pet Products, Becks Mill, Westbury Leigh, Westbury	Mr Morland
03/01545/FUL – Adjacent 39 Silver Street, Warminster	Mr Moon
02/00681/FUL – Land between Blackball Bridge, River Biss and West Ashton Road, Trowbridge	Ms Lease
03/01144/FUL – Weston Nurseries, Corton, Warminster	Mr Mayall, Ms Betenson, Mrs Penny Mr Grist
03/01146/FUL – Bath Road Nurseries, Bradford Road, Atworth, Melksham,	Mr Chadwick
03/01260/OUT – The Down Service Station, The Down, Trowbridge	Mr Moon
03/01685/FUL – Land at Westbourne Gardens, Trowbridge	Mr Webb, Mr Greening, Mr Weaver
03/01382/FUL - 33 Lower Westwood, Westwood	Mr Pearce

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the list of delegated decisions made during the period 13 to 31 October 2003 be received and noted.
- (b) To make decisions on planning and related applications as set out in the appendix to these minutes.
- (c) That the following application be deferred for a site visit to be held on the day of the next meeting, Thursday 11 December 2003 at 2.30pm on site, to be then considered by the Planning Committee when it meets that evening at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber at the Council Offices, Bradley Road, Trowbridge:

03/01144/FUL – Weston Nurseries, Corton, Warminster

NOTE: 03/00856/FUL - Land adjacent 53 Woolley Street, Bradford on Avon

This application was withdrawn.

Applications Deferred

03/01144/FUL – Weston Nurseries, Corton, Warminster

The above application be deferred for a site visit and to negotiate the removal of bunding and provision of sufficient screening.

02/00681/FUL – Land between Blackball Bridge, River Biss and West Ashton Road, Trowbridge

The above application be deferred for consultation with West Ashton Parish Council.

Decisions made against officers' recommendation

03/01714/FUL – Bellefield House, Hilperton Road, Trowbridge

The above application was recommended for permission by officers. The Planning Committee, after taking all matters into consideration, refused the application.

- Reasons:
- (i) The proposal was not in keeping with the surrounding pattern and style of development in Bellefield Crescent.
 - (ii) The proposal would not reflect the design and spatial form of the existing dwellings on Bellefield Crescent.

03/01715/LBC – Bellefield House, Hilperton Road, Trowbridge

The above application was recommended for consent by officers. The Planning Committee, after taking all matters into consideration, refused the application.

- Reasons:
- (i) The proposal would harm the character and setting of the Listed Building.
 - (ii) The position, proportion and composition of a variety of different window and door styles would lack uniformity.

03/01403/FUL – 34 Coulston

The above application was recommended for permission by officers. The Planning Committee, after taking all matters into consideration, refused the application.

- Reasons:
- (i) The proposal would be tantamount to a replacement dwelling, materially larger than the existing dwelling.
 - (ii) The proposal would not respect or enhance the character of the historic layout of the original dwelling and the character of the surrounding adjacent properties.

03/01685/FUL – Land at Westbourne Gardens, Trowbridge

The above application was recommended for permission by officers. The Planning Committee, after taking all matters into consideration, refused the application.

- Reasons:
- (i) The access serving the site is considered unsuitable to serve as a means of access to the proposed development.

- (ii) The loss of existing garages would displace parking for the surrounding residential properties onto the adjoining highways, to the detriment of highway safety and the convenience of the users of the highway.

Recorded Votes

03/01301/OUT – Bradford Rugby Football Club, Great Ashley, Winsley

The above application was refused planning permission. A recorded vote was requested and the voting was as follows:

For Refusal: Councillors Brice, Burnan OBE, Carbin, Cox,
(12) Cunliffe-Jones, Fortescue, Newbury, Oldrieve, Repton, Rosier, Syme and Whatley-Gibbs

Against Refusal: Baker, Clark, John Clegg, Marion Clegg, Hawker, James,
(11) Knight, Lewis, March, Viles and Wells

Abstentions: Nil
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02/00681/FUL – Land between Blackball Bridge, River Biss and West Ashton Road, Trowbridge

During the debate a motion for refusal on grounds of prematurity was moved and seconded and on being put to the vote was LOST. Councillor Clark requested that his vote FOR refusal be recorded.

03/01260/OUT - The Down Service Station, The Down, Trowbridge

Councillor Viles requested that his vote AGAINST permission be recorded.

NOTE: VOTE TO CONTINUE

During this item, at 9.30pm, the Committee voted to continue with the meeting in accordance with the Constitution.

58 PLANNING APPEALS - UPDATE

The Principal Planning Officer (Commercial) presented details of planning appeals to date.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

59 REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES – REPORTING BACK

No reports were made.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held on 11 December 2003 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, in the Council Offices, Bradley Road, Trowbridge.

(6.30pm - 11.40pm).

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